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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 188, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to administration of abortion-inducing drugs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 188, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 188.021, to read as follows:

188.021. When RU-486 (mifepristone) or any drug or chemical is used for the purpose of inducing an abortion, the drug or chemical shall be administered in the same room and in the physical presence of the physician who prescribed, dispensed, or otherwise provided the drug or chemical to the patient. The physician inducing the abortion, or a person acting on such physician's behalf, shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the patient returns twelve to eighteen days after the administration or use of RU-486 or any drug or chemical for a follow-up visit so the physician is able to confirm that the pregnancy has been terminated and assess the patient's medical condition. At a minimum, the physician inducing the abortion shall include in the patient's medical records the date, time, and identification by name of

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the person making such reasonable efforts to ensure the patient returns

for a follow-up visit in accordance with this section.